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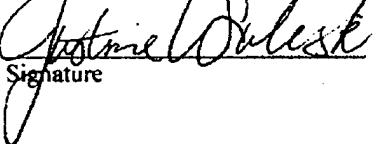
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RESPONSE TO NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed March 30, 2009, Applicants respectfully submit that two sets of the same Amendment were transmitted to the US Patent and Trademark Office on December 22, 2008. Due to transmission problems, the second set was not completely transmitted. However, the first set was completely transmitted and is of record. As a courtesy, Applicants submit herewith a copy of the Amendment filed on December 22, 2008. In telephone conversations with Applicants' representative, R. Christine Yang, Examiner Tran and the Supervisory Examiner Denion each acknowledged receipt of the complete first set of the Amendment. In a telephone conversation with Applicants' representative, R. Christine Yang, on April 29, 2009, Supervisory Examiner Denion also stated that he would inform Examiner Tran

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to consider the complete Amendment (first set). Withdrawal of the Non-compliant amendment action is respectfully requested.

In view of the above, favorable reconsideration in the form of a notice of allowance is respectfully requested. Any questions regarding this communication can be directed to Applicants' representative listed below.



Respectfully submitted,

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